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1. By July 1951 the condition of some factories in Songjin was as follows:

The Songjin Steel Manufacturing Plant, which produced iron plate, chrome steel, and tungsten, had been damaged about 90 percent. However, minor iron-casting operations were still being carried on.

The Songjin Carbon Manufacturing plant was damaged 90 percent but was still producing a small quantity of carbon.

The Songjin Fire Proof Brick Manufacturing Plant was damaged 70 percent and was under repair.

The Songjin Machinery Manufacturing Plant, which produced ammunition, was damaged only about 30 percent and was still operating with 20 engineers, 10 experts, and 30 laborers.

2. The Songjin Marine Products Plant was managed by PAK Sok-pong (朴锡蓬), aged 37, with MA Kun-chol (马昆卓), aged 50 as assistant manager. The plant was divided into the following sections: administrative section, three employees; supply section, headed by YI Chong-won (李重文), four employees; fishery section, headed by PAK Ul-yong (朴乙用), three employees; labor section, three employees; fiscal section, three employees; planning section, headed by KO Nam-uk (高南旭), three employees; North Korean Labor Party Committee, four employees; and an inspector who was employed by the Political Security Department of the Songjin People's Committee.

The plant owned eight motor fishing boats which were all damaged by United Nations bombings so that fishing operations out of Songjin were made impossible. Small scale fishing was still being carried on by this plant at Yuchinta near Songjin. The major portion of the catch is codfish, which is shipped to North Korean Army units.

Before the war the Songjin Marine Products plant also operated a fish-eggs preserve factory, where 3,000 barrels of fish eggs were produced annually by 25 workers who received from 800 to 900 won monthly; a cod-liver oil factory,

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... 30 workers produced 45,000 cans of cod-liver oil each year; and a dried
... over 30,000 cod-fish heads were dried each year. All these
... were shipped to government organizations, especially the army. The
... Ganning Factory employed about 30 workers who canned 5,000 codfish a
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